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[FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.]
Yale Correspondence.
FORT YALE, Feb. 19th, 1859.

EDITOR COLONIST:—By some unaccountable delay, the Colonists of the 11th inst. have not reached this place.

The steamer Henrietta arrived here this afternoon, bringing fifty passengers and 9 tons freight. Her arrival was the signal for a general suspension of business. All was excitement as I have never before witnessed in Yale. The advent was the final realization of our twenty months' anticipations. Anvils were made to answer the purpose of cannon, and quite a brisk firing was kept up during the afternoon. A large banner was displayed on the river front upon which the words "Welcome Henrietta," that echoed the heart-felt sentiment of the entire community. Capt. Moore deserves much credit for his untiring energy and perseverance, for he has established and maintained the position (if adequately supported) that Yale is accessible by steam at this, the worst season. Ergo—Yale is the head of navigation. In the evening a collation to Capt. Moore and his officers rendered the occasion one that will not soon be forgotten.

The impost of £1 on all pack animals for each and every trip has excited the people of Yale to such a degree that open resistance is freely talked of, and a large force may be necessary to collect this autocratic imposition. Every tax that Governor Douglas has seen fit to impose upon this community has been paid, (grudgingly I will admit) but never a show of justice has been vouchered in return. Of one thing rest assured, that nothing will be left undone, first to convince his Excellency of its injustice, second, its inequality, and third, of the misconception on his part regarding that portion of our memorial referring to the impost of a duty. Should these fail, then the payment of the tax will be avoided, and Indians substituted; these latter without a head tax, can pack cheaper than animals with \$40 per ton additional to the cost of their packs—that is they (the Indians) can be employed to pack out of "Yale" to some point where the Yale duty may be avoided.

I enclose a copy of his Excellency's letter also of the memorial sent in answer, upon which documents your comments are desired. Can the words "a small duty" be construed to mean anything approximating to \$40 or £8 per ton.

But what we most fear is that trade may be directed from this channel, and an impetus given to those towns less favored by natural outlets, but recompensed by governmental neglect.

In conclusion I would say that if the signature of every miner, packer and trader in British Columbia, to a memorial for the repeal of this odious tax would be sufficient the same could be obtained without any difficulty, or a single dissenting voice.

Yours, etc. JONAH.

The Mule-Tax Again.

NEW WESTMINSTER FEB. 18th, 1860.

EDITOR COLONIST:—We have heard here with indignation that the mule tax has been levied. With two exceptions, one an official and the other interested, pecuniarily, the whole community are opposed to it. A meeting was held this evening and was largely attended, where the sentiment was unanimous. Two persons arrived yesterday for the purpose of going to Victoria for goods for the upper mines, but have wisely concluded to go to the Dalles for their supplies.

I have not seen any of the papers, but hear it is stated the tax was levied at the request of the Packers and Miners.

I do hereby boldly assert, that there cannot be found a single Miner, Packer or trader, in the all British Columbia (disinterested) who is in favor of the donkey tax. I hear also that Hope is left out of the Proclamation, which may be unintentional omission, but it may not also be generally known, that the H. B. Co. Brigade of about 400 animals leave there yearly.

It appears that everything imaginable is to be thrown in the way of the prosperity of the country. In 1858, when there was not a British boat suitable for the navigation of Fraser river, a license was granted to the Maria and Enterprise, (of them I

speak by the card) on condition that the freight of the H. B. Co. should be taken at \$20, and other at \$40 per ton. They paid a license of twelve dollars per trip.

A mule train will leave Douglas every six days; we will suppose a Packet owning 50 mules, which will be per trip \$250; five trips per month, will be \$1,250 which in a year, will be the enormous sum of \$15,000, only 300 per cent more than the value of the property.

Now is the very time that the mining interests of British Columbia need encouragement, and pretty encouragement they receive, the chances were favorable that with a liberal policy in a short time we would have been shipping goods to Similkameen, but that it destroyed by the tax.

The Jackass Mountain Trail.

LYTTON, B. C., Feb. 7th, 1860.
EDITOR COLONIST:—On my way here, I learned that the trail is to be improved around Jackass mountain; and for the government of British Columbia appropriating the paltry sum of three hundred dollars to improve it, there is to be a toll levied of 25 cents on each animal, and that the right to collect the toll is to be let to the highest bidder—the rent to be paid quarterly in advance. It seems to be the cause of universal complaint with the miners and merchants all along the route, to think there has been such an amount of money squandered on the "pet" Harrison-Lillooet route, and, as far as we can ascertain, not a cent of toll levied. It is a well-known fact that full three-fourths of the inhabitants of this colony have to be supplied by the river route, and still we find that there must be a wagon road made the other way without toll, before there is to be even a pack trail made this way. Such are glaring facts, and we would like to know how long the many inhabitants this way are to suffer for the benefit of the few of the other.

The inhabitants of Lytton, Yale and Hope have subscribed a sufficient amount of money to cut a trail from here to Hat creek to intersect the Lillooet trail to Alexander, shortening the distance about sixty miles. If this is the way we are to be treated, I think we had better in future leave trail-making alone.

A GOOD SELL.—A gentleman not a thousand miles from Boston recently gave a great party and invited the leading men of the vicinity. Some wag gave him the names of all his political opponents in the smallest towns of his district, instead of a list of his friends and supporters, and the former were invited to the banquet while the latter were left out in the cold. The joke was so good that no one took offence, and both Democrats and Republicans had a merry time over the affair.

A lady one night at a party was much annoyed by the rude and impudent remarks of a coxcomb who sat near her. At length becoming tired and vexed, she turned towards him with an angry countenance, and said—"Be pleased, sir, to cease your unbecoming impertinence." The fellow was astonished at so sudden a rebuke, and could only say—"Pray, Miss, do not eat me." "Be in no fear," she replied, "I am a Jewess."

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At Reduced Prices

To the Trade.

1000 sacks Golden Gate Flour;

1000 do do Age do

500 do self-rising do

200 mats China Sugar;

50 half bbls N O do

50 do do S I do

500 sacks Beans;

40 bags Rio Coffee;

50 firkins choice Butter;

50 cases Bacon;

50 do J & H Lard;

50 chests black Tea;

50 do green do

200 boxes Candles;

Oysters, Turkeys, Chickens,

Powdered Sugar, P & M Yeast Powders,

&c. &c.

50 bales assorted Blankets.

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Can do this by Buying their Goods

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10,000 lbs extra Clear Bacon;

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From the Manufactory of S. W. Silver & Co.,

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Non-absorbent Perfected Coats;

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Cambrie Sheetings and Alpaca Coats, with and without

Leggings;

Silk Sheetings and Alpaca Coats with and without

Hoods and Capes;

Driving Caps with and without Hoods;

Water-proof and Sheetings Hats and Caps;

Sou' wester, Napier Hats, Storm Caps, Sheetings Hel-

metts and Knapsacks;

Life Belts, Riding Aprons, Cambrie Hoods, Capes

and Knapsacks;

Vulcanized Water Bottles, Brush and Soap Trays,

Buckets and Basins;

Sitting Bath, Wood side and framed do, Foot and

Circular do;

Mole, Jean, Reeded, Chintz and Pillow Beds;

Bed Bellows, Silk Beds, Sheetings Bags, Trunk Cases,

Haversacks, Antigropeos, Circular Pillows, Bath

Sheetings, Divided and French Air Cushions;

India Rubber and Canvas Hose.

The above invoice is open for examination at our

office, and will be disposed of at a moderate advance

on the sterling cost. S. W. SILVER & CO.,

corner of Wharf and Johnson sts.

Victoria, V. I., Jan. 21, 1860. fe22-1m

FURNITURE.

BY LATE ARRIVALS, THE UNDER-

signed have received additions to their hitherto

well-assorted stock of Furniture, and now offer

PAINTED SETS, ten pieces;

EXTENSION TABLES, 8 and 10 feet long;

CENTRE TABLES, Serpentine and round

tops, assorted sizes;

CARD TABLES, harp and square pillars;

COMMON " 2 1/2, 3 and 3 1/2 long, with

drawers; also Cherry, Walnut, and painted pine leaf

tables;

BEDSTEADS, Mahogany French, Cottage,

double and single;

LOUNGES, spring seats, in damask and leather

covers;

SOFAS, spring seats, hair cloth, with round and

pillow ends;

DESKS, with fall and door fronts;

CHEST OF DRAWERS, walnut and mahogany carved

fronts, 3 shelves, fret work;

BUREAUS, one-half marble top, scroll and

painted pine, 4 and 6 drawers;

WHAT-NOTS, walnut and mahogany, 5 and

6 shelves;

TERRORS, in gilt and mahogany frames, as-

sorted sizes, for parlors, chambers and saloons;

CHILDREN'S cribs and cradles, also high and

low chairs, assorted patterns;

CHAIRS, mahogany hair cloth, spring seats,

cane and wood seat, office, oak, dining, Grecian cane,

heavy bar room, and common wood seats;

ROCKERS, spring seats, mahogany and cane

seats and backs, sewing and arm;

SINKS, wash stands, chair cushions, coverlets,

towel racks, willow cribs, &c.

— ALSO —

BEDDING,

Pulu, Curled Hair, Moss, Wool, and Straw Mat-

tresses, best Feather Pillows, all sizes; in the man-

ufacture of which we use none but the best materials,

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Victoria, V. I., Feb. 22. fe23-1m

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RIO COFFEE,

SYRUP,

Bacon, Lard, Hams, Pork, Flour,

Butter, Mackerel, Beans, Cornmeal,

Buckwheat, China Rice,

CHINA SUGAR,

Sandwich Island Sugar, Crushed Sugar,

Powdered Sugar,

Pickles, Dried Apples, Soap,

Tobacco,

Gunny Bags,

P. & M. YEAST POWDERS,

Ground Coffee,

Layer Raisins, Zante Currants,

Sardines, Adamantine Candles,

Chemical Sperm Candles,

California Cheese, Fresh Peaches,

Fresh Green Corn, Fresh Tomatoes,

Chicken and Turkey, Beef and Mutton,

Pilot Bread, Navy Bread,

Green and Black Teas,

Assorted Spices,

Vermacelli and Macaroni,

Honey, Crackers,

Starch, Brooms,

Olive Oil, Nutmegs,

— and —

A General Assortment of Fancy Groceries.

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— THEIR —

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GARDEN SEEDS,

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FLOWER & FIELD SEEDS.

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Yates street, Victoria.

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M. BACH'S

BILLIARD FACTORY,

Front street, N. W. cor. of Jackson,

SAN FRANCISCO.

THE UNDERSIGNED hereby takes pleasure to

notify the public and his patrons, that the FIRST

PREMIUM at the late Mechanics' Fair has again

been awarded to him for his celebrated and unex-

celled BILLIARD TABLES. Thankful for past fa-

vors and liberal patronage, he hopes that the same

may be continued. His tables are constructed

THE BRITISH COLONIST.

A. DE COSMOS, EDITOR.

TO ADVERTISERS.

All advertisements, unless the time for which they are to be inserted is specified, will be continued until ordered out, and so charged.

Saturday Morning, February 25, 1860.

Origin of the Mule-Tax.

Last fall a prospectus was sent from Yale to the Governor, proposing to construct a road from Yale to Lytton by means of a Joint-Stock Association, with a capital of \$60,000, and the government was invited to take stock or lend its assistance. Under date of Sept. 30, a reply reached Yale that capitalists would not subscribe the stock, and that the scheme was "impracticable." But "that this great enterprise, including the removal of the obstruction to navigation at Emory's Bar, could be carried out by other means,"—by levying a duty on the transport of all goods by land from Yale to Lytton. "And that his Excellency is desirous of ascertaining the wishes of the inhabitants of Yale in reference to the plan of opening the road, which might be communicated to him in the form of a petition." This curious and skillful piece of diplomacy to escape responsibility by petitioning Yale to "petition" for "a duty" was met as expected. A memorial was forwarded, stating that when the road was made the largest portion of the merchandise would pass that way to the upper country, as it would be shorter than via Cayoosh; that "after its completion a small duty on so large an aggregate must necessarily yield a very considerable revenue;" and that if the Lillooet route was improved at the public expense, an equal duty should be levied there. Port Douglas was not consulted. So the whole matter is in a nut-shell: a small tax was asked for by Yale, at his Excellency's request, and a large one was imposed without their consent.

The reply called out by McDonald's letter, after stating that the tax had been well "considered" and "indispensable;" added, "but is desired beyond all other measures by the miners and merchants of upper British Columbia." The palpable intention of this was to throw the odium on other shoulders. But from our showing its origin is fully attributable to the Czar of British Columbia, without the shadow of a chance to excuse it, on the ground of misconception of the wishes of the miners and merchants.

LEASING MINING LANDS.—The system of leasing mining lands, in from one to five acres in extent, is one that, as the country increases in population and importance, will give rise to a great deal of trouble. The code of laws for the better working of the mines of British Columbia, has made provision for this system, and in one instance at least, it has been found to work badly. We refer to Prince Albert's Flat, a section of auriferous ground about three miles below Fort Yale. On this flat, it was clearly demonstrated last fall that \$10 per day to the hand could be made with sluices; and since that time a lease of two-and-a-half acres has been granted to a miner for two years. This lease, of course, prevents the working of that amount of ground by individual miners for that period, and introduces a system of monopoly that we are sure will prove of great injury to traders and workmen on the lower Fraser. As far as the actual holder of the lease is concerned, we do not believe it could have fallen into better hands; but we are utterly opposed to the whole arrangement. Monopoly, the curse of older countries, introduced into Columbia, if allowed to take root, and combined with the infamous mule-tax, will soon depopulate our sister colony. The idea of inviting men of family to settle with us, and then taking the very means of subsistence from them, is a novel idea; and if many are caught in the trap, there are more fools in the world than we imagined. In Australia, the same plan is being tried, and it has given rise to many serious disturbances between the "leasers" and "anti-leasers." Why the system should have been introduced here, is a puzzle. We hope to hear of no more leases being granted. They can only result in injury to the country and the people at present in it.

ANOTHER DISCOVERY.—The Gazette says it has found a "mare's nest." Well, we hope it has. The other day it thought it had discovered a "nest of jackasses" at New Westminster; but discovered two days after, when it had sucked the eggs, that it had made a mistake—the jackasses were all nestled snugly in its own office.

MCCREA'S BAR.—From a private source we learn that the slough in front of this bar (about six miles above Fort Yale) has been wing-damned and the water turned after nearly three months work. The diggings are found to be very rich—paying from \$16 to \$50 per day to the hand.

Quesnelle River.

The hopes of Victoria and of the whole country are based upon the presumed richness of the Quesnelle river mines. Last June, after the reported failure of the Canoe country, there were many who prophesied the almost complete desertion of the two colonies by the ensuing autumn; and many who left here early in the spring for the Eldorado of their hopes, returned a few months later penniless and disheartened, and worn down by the fatigues of a journey which they had undertaken in their search for the glittering ore. Out of nearly 4,000 men who passed up the Fraser before the 1st of May, it was computed that more than half of that number left the country before the 1st of July—most of them never to return. About 1,000 of the number who left here early in the spring, remained in the Canoe country and worked claims possessing more or less richness, until the reports from Quesnelle reached them, (about the middle of July,) when nearly 700 of their number went above, together with about 300 more miners from points lower down on the Fraser.

The diggings on the Quesnelle were struck on the 3d of June, by Benjamin McDonnell, a native of Prince Edward's Island, and a boat's crew of five others, who left Lytton about the middle of March. They had previously prospected the bars on all the tributaries of the Fraser, and found nothing to justify their remaining, until they reached Fort Alexander, a distance of 280 miles from the Forks of Fraser and Thompson. At this station they were told that gold had been found in small quantities on the Quesnelle river for several years back by Indians, who had brought specimens to the Fort and traded them for blankets, etc., but that no particular importance had been attached to the discoveries. McDonnell and his party determined to start the next morning and prospect for themselves, which they did, and in a few days reached the river, and about two miles from its mouth, struck a bar which gave them a prospect of from one to two dollars to the pan,—fine gold. This they called McDonnell's Bar, and set to work with rockers the day after their arrival, and sent McDonnell ahead to prospect for still richer claims which they believed existed above.

McDonnell went on; and about 60 miles from where his party was at work, struck another bar still richer than the first where coarse gold abounds. This he named McDonnell's Bar No. 2, and returning to his companions, found that the river had risen so much as to prevent their working their claims. He also found that several other companies had arrived and had commenced working at different points near the mouth of the Quesnelle, with greater or less success. Abandoning the bar, the party soon moved above and settled at No. 2, where they made from one ounce to thirty dollars per day to the hand until the cold weather set in, when they were compelled to desist. In the meantime, the excitement had spread to the lower Fraser, and hundreds arrived weekly. These last pushed higher up the river, and many followed an old Indian trail from the head of Williams' Lake to the head waters of the Quesnelle River. By the latter route, a party of thirteen struck a small tributary which they named Horsely Creek, and constructing a wing-dam, took out \$2100 in a week, when the cold weather compelled them to abandon their claims and come below. Others followed the Horsely Creek to its source—a small but deep lake—and passing that, came to a river about half the size of the Quesnelle, fed by the same lake which supplied the Horsely, but running in a totally different direction, and supposed to empty into Thompson river. This they called Lost river, and obtained some good prospects from the bars. By far the larger number of the miners followed the Quesnelle from its mouth and came upon a chain of three lakes which they called Nos. 1, 2 and 3. These emptied into the Quesnelle, and good wages were made by all who worked above or immediately below them, as the well-filled purses brought to Victoria by the miners early in the winter testified.

As far as the Quesnelle mines are concerned, we have not the least doubt but they will prove the richest yet struck in British Columbia, and although some few will be disappointed and curse their luck, we are perfectly satisfied that the large majority who go above will do well.

STEAMER LABOUCHERE FOR SAN FRANCISCO.—A number of the leading merchants of this city have signed an agreement to give the steamer Labouchere all their freight from San Francisco at \$12 per ton, if the H. B. Co. will consent to place her on the route. The rates of passage it is proposed shall be—Cabin, \$30; and steerage, \$15. The project only awaits the decision of the Company to become a contract.

TEMPERANCE LECTURE.—A lecture on drunkenness, its causes, evils and remedies, will be delivered in the Congregational Lecture Room, to-morrow (Sunday) evening, at half past 6.

MARINES DISCONTENTED.—The marines quartered at the barracks at James Bay, express great dissatisfaction at their treatment here, and if the fatigue duty they are called to do for the hangers-on of Government is as represented, they can with justice feel dissatisfied. This corps volunteered in China for colonial service here, with the promise of extra pay,—no sum being specified. All they get is one shilling sterling a day,—and of that are only paid fourteen shillings a month,—the balance is kept back to supply them with clothes. The amount allowed them is insufficient, as every necessary is much higher than in China or England. So the men are effectually prohibited from having any spare change to indulge in "beer or 'baccy." What they expected when they volunteered, was to be put at work with shovel and pick,—or at some respectable manual labor; but where they are now, "martial law" compels them to be mere lackeys on officials, both military and civil,—the latter employing them because the marines cannot charge for their labor. One day this week, a fatigue party were sent to wash out the Supreme Court room! Certainly affairs are a mixed medley! Even the "favorite pupil of Sir Hugh Cairns" will find it difficult to trace out a balance-sheet between the Colony and the Company,—or tell how free labor is to live in competition with marines at a shilling and convicts at twenty-five cents a day.

ROBBERIES AT SAN JUAN.—PIRATES.—On Wednesday night, the store of Capt. Higgins, on San Juan Island, was entered by thieves and robbed of two tons and a half of goods—principally general articles—to the value of nearly \$500. Another store in the vicinity was entered the same night, and six barrels of whiskey stolen therefrom. In the morning five barrels of the whiskey were found buried on the beach a short distance from the military encampment. These robberies were both committed by a regularly organized band of pirates, who cruise about the Sound committing outrages of a like character whenever an opportunity occurs. The British and American forces in these waters should combine to exterminate the villains.

POLICEMEN'S PAY.—The Gazette of yesterday states that it has been assured by the Stipendiary Magistrate that the policemen have been paid up to the latest date to which their salary is due. The statement is incorrect. Up to 12 o'clock yesterday, the men had not received one cent for January's work; but at that hour they were called up and received their pay for that month. Some wages must make it their especial business to "sell" that delectable sheet.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

EX "VICKERY," 10,000 FEET REDWOOD Plank
For Sale Cheap by
PEASE & BOYCE,
Union Wharf.
fe25-3t

NOTICE.
THE MEMBERS of the Union Hook and Ladder Company, will meet this afternoon, at 4 P. M., in UNIFORM, for drill.
By order of
D. A. EDGAR,
Acting Foreman.
Victoria, Feb. 25, 1860

HOUSE TO LET.
THE LARGE HOUSE now occupied by Pickett, & Co. on Wharf street. Possession given March 2nd, next.
Apply at K. GAMBITZ Dry Goods Store, Yates street, near Government street.
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THE ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY OF VICTORIA.
WILL MEET IN THE POLICE COURT-ROOM, by the kind permission of Justice Pemberton, on Tuesday, the 28th inst., at 7½ p. m., for the transaction of important business.
JOHN COLELAND, President;
Capt. REID, Vice-Presidents;
Capt. JEFFREYS,
Rev. Mr. MACFIE, Chaplain;
Dr. BAILLIE, Physician.
Messrs. J. G. McKay, Muir, McDonald, Duncan, and McHardy.
N. B. Applications for labor or pecuniary assistance, in deserving cases, to be made to the Board of Management in the first instance.
By order
ALEX. MCKENZIE,
Secretary.
fe25-1m

JUST RECEIVED
AN ASSORTMENT OF SUPERIOR
KITCHEN GARDEN, FLOWER, AND FIELD
SEEDS,
DIRECT FROM LONDON,
FOR SALE BY
LANGLEY BROS.

BUILDING MATERIALS.
Puget Sound Lumber, assorted sizes, either by cargo or retail;
Mendocino Redwood Lumber, assorted sizes;
50 bbls Plaster of Paris;
50 bbls Rosendale Cement;
1500 lbs Plasterers' Hair.
For sale by
SAMUEL PRICE & CO.,
Cor. Wharf and Johnson street.
Victoria, V. I., Jan. 24th, 1860. fe25-1m

EX ALMATIA.
OLD TOM—Swain, Board & Co. Worthington & Thompson;
Whisky—Irish;
Rum—Old Jamaica;
Port—A superior article in ½ casks;
Sherry—do do do
Soap—542 boxes, 25 lbs each, best English.
For sale by
DICKSON, CAMPBELL & CO.,
Cor. Johnson & Wharf sts.
fe25-1m

Petition from Yale.
The following is a copy of a petition numerously signed, sent from Yale to Governor Douglas, on the 19th inst. It clinches the letter of His Excellency, Mr. Chas. Good, to the Gazette, as at least a mis-statement.
To His Excellency, James Douglas, C. B., Governor of British Columbia, the respectful petition of the inhabitants of Yale, humbly sheweth:
That your petitioners regard with utter dismay the imposition of the \$5 mule tax, from the disastrous results it is certain to entail on the progress of the Colony, whether it is regarded as effecting mining, commerce, or agricultural settlement.

That one inevitable consequence of the tariff, will be the paralysis of all trade to the interior, by the avenues of Douglas and Yale, which will operate as a corresponding premium to the overland carriers from Oregon and Washington Territory. Thus mercantile enterprise by the legitimate channels, which was so spiritedly sustained in face of very discouraging difficulties, under the expectation of ultimate encouragement, is doomed to sacrifice, without any imperative necessity apparent to your petitioners.

That the expenditure on the formation of the contemplated road to Lytton will be gradual, and your petitioners conceive might be met from the ordinary sources of revenue, the more particularly as \$75 00 has already been allotted for that purpose as well as from the fact that the culpable dilatoriness of the Royal Engineers in surveying the work renders it certain that no section of the trail can be finished for many months to come.

That your petitioners when they (in answer to your Excellency's letter) mentioned their acquiescence to the proposed impost of a duty, ("small") never intended to imply £8 or \$40 per ton, but supposed the impost of "three dollars per ton for road purposes" to be the tariff in view. That under these views your petitioners respectfully urge on your Excellency the reconsideration of the proposed tax, with a view to its total abrogation.

As in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

AUCTION.
J. A. MCCREA
will sell
On MONDAY, Feb. 27, 1860,
At 11 o'clock, A. M.,
At his Salesroom, on Wharf street,

LIQUORS.
20-½ casks American Brandy.
10-10 gallon kegs American Brandy.
3 casks fine French Brandy.
1 Puncheon Stewart's Scotch Whisky.
1 do Bernard's Old Tom.
—Casks Dark Brandy.
—do O Dumas' Cognac.
—ALSO—
Bacon, Beans, Flour, Candles, Soap, Lard, Tobacco, Hams, Coffee, &c
—ALSO—
5 Cases Boots.
J. A. MCCREA,
Auctioneer, Wharf st.

REAL ESTATE BY AUCTION.

P. M. BACKUS,
AUCTIONEER,
will sell
THURSDAY, MARCH the 1st,
at his Sales Room on Yates street,
At 12 o'clock, noon,
the following
TOWN LOTS,
If not previously disposed of at Private Sale,
LOTS, \$76, 741, and 1165.
TERMS OF SALE: Ten per cent. on the day of sale, and the balance as soon as the deeds are made out. The purchaser shall have a conveyance from the mortgagee and mortgagee prepared at the expense of the vendor. The purchaser shall not call for any title beyond the conveyance to the mortgagee. The person conveying to the mortgagee has left for Arizona, and has taken with him the earlier title deed.
fe25-1d

CURTIS & MOORE,
IMPORTERS OF
DRUGS, MEDICINES,
PERFUMERY,
TOILET ARTICLES, BRUSHES,
SWEDISH LEECHES, ALCOHOL,
CAMPHENE, PAINTS, OILS, WINDOW GLASS,
GARDEN SEEDS,
FRUIT, FLOWER, AND FIELD SEEDS.
Agents for all the most celebrated
Patent Medicines,
For sale at San Francisco prices, by wholesale and retail.
CURTIS & MOORE,
fe25-1f
Druggists, Yates street.

A. MARTIN & BRO.
WHOLESALE DEALERS IN GROCERIES
and Provisions, have for sale
JUST ARRIVED PER NAHUMKEAG,
50 boxes raisins;
20 firkins butter;
50 bbls pilot brand (San Francisco baked);
50 boxes candles;
200 mats rice;
150 cases pepper;
20 kegs penches;
20 cases sage;
4 cases Bath bricks;
50 bbls plaster of Paris;
12 bbls currants;
13 bbls hams;
16 cases mince meats;
40 cases peppercorns;
10 cases nutmeg;
TO ARRIVE—PER LEONESA:
55 boxes candles;
20 cases lobsters;
15 kegs prunes;
10 bbls lard;
20 chests tea, No. 1.
FOR SALE—IN STORE:
300 bags beans;
15 bbls vinegar, etc.
A. MARTIN,
Mission Street,
San Francisco, Cal.
fe25-1f
S. MARTIN,
Wharf street, opposite
Guild, Webb & Co.

LIQUORS. LIQUORS. LIQUORS.

W. H. OLIVER,
IMPORTER AND WHOLESALE DEALER IN LIQUORS,
Johnson street, opposite Wharf street,
HAS FOR SALE, EX RECENT ARRIVALS—
6 hds Claret Wine,
100 cases do do very superior,
100 do do do do do
60 do Sauterne, do do
60 do California White Wine,
20 ½ cks choice old Brandy, pale and dark,
20 ½ cks Port and Sherry Wine,
2 puncheons choice James Watson's
2 do Scotch Whisky,
2 do Swain, Board & Co's Old Tom Gin,
200 cases Old Tom Gin,
50 do Scotch Whisky,
20 do do do do do do
50 bbls Alcohol, 95 per ct.,
100 ½ cks Brandy, pale and dark,
5 pipes Gin,
25 cases Boker's, Salner and Hostetter Bitters,
100 cases Old Bourbon Whisky, choice article,
100 bbls Champagnes, different brands. fe14-1m

VICTORIA ACADEMY.

THE REV. W. F. CLARKE IS DESIROUS of receiving a number of young Ladies and Gentlemen for instruction with his own children in the ordinary branches of a thorough English education. He will therefore open an ACADEMY on MONDAY next, the 9th inst., in the Congregational Lecture Room, near the Episcopal Church. The morals of the pupils, entrusted to him, will be assiduously watched, and while no efforts will be made to instil sectarian views, the important subject of religion will by no means be ignored. Hours of tuition—10 to 12, and 1 to 3. Strict punctuality will be enforced, and no deduction made for lost time. Terms—\$10 per quarter of ten weeks, payable in advance. Victoria, V. I., Jan. 2, 1860. fe23-1f

J. D. LOWENBERG,

REAL ESTATE AGENT.
East side of Government st., bet. Yates & Johnson
WILL PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO selling, purchasing, and leasing property, to negotiating loans, and transacting everything connected with Real Estate business. Maps of all the different Districts on the Island may be seen at his office. Parties desirous of purchasing Homesteads, or making investments, will find on my Bulletin Board Town Lots on nearly every street; Farming or Gardening Land in every District; some of which afford a rare chance for investment. Conveyances, leases, &c., drawn up at reasonable rates. fe23-1f

CAUTION TO THE PUBLIC.—The public are hereby notified that the property now offered for sale by Mr. DAVID GREEN, situated on Government street, one part of which was lately used by K. GAMBITZ, and the other now occupied by Dr. Zeiler, is held by the said Mr. David Green, in trust for Moses Phillips, Lewis Ashim, and the undersigned, and that he has no authority to sell or lease without the joint consent of all parties concerned. JOHN H. BART. fe23-1f

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

THE COPARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE EXISTING between HAAS & ROSENFELD and N. & S. KOSHLAND, under the firm of Haas & Rosenfeld, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Haas & Rosenfeld having purchased the interest of N. & S. Koshland in the above concern, are hereby authorized to collect all debts due to that firm, and will continue the business as heretofore, under the firm of Haas & Rosenfeld, at their fire-proof Brick Store, Wharf street, adjoining the Royal Hotel. HAAS & ROSENFELD. dec17-3m*
Victoria, Dec. 10th, 1859.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

THE COPARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE EXISTING between A. P. CRANER and Julius Craner under the style of A. P. CRANER & BRO., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All claims against the firm will be settled by A. P. CRANER; and all indebted to said firm will please settle with Julius Craner. JULIUS CRANER. fe26-1m
Victoria, Jan. 24th, 1860.

LUMBER

FROM BARK JEANNETTE—For sale at
A. Kandler's, Wharf—
Fencing, 5500 feet;
Inch Board, 5433 feet;
Scantling, 18574 feet;
Flooring, 21705 feet;
Plank, 36337 feet.
F. J. DE ST. OURS. fe26-1m
Victoria, Jan. 25, 1860.

LAW WRITING OFFICES.

TO SOLICITORS AND OTHERS.
THE UNDERSIGNED is prepared to undertake Law and Ornamental Writing and Copying. Terms: Per page foolscap, about \$0 25. Books posted, accounts made up or moneyed out at moderate charges. A. P. CRANER, fe14-4
Private office, next door to the Select School, Broad street.

VICTORIA BAKERY,

SAM'L NESBITT, PROPRIETOR.
Waddington, near Yates Street.
THE PUBLIC ARE RESPECTFULLY INFORMED that at this shop they will find a superior quality of Bread, Pies and Cakes of all varieties. All orders for Weddings, and other Parties, thankfully received and punctually attended to. fe21-1f
SAM'L NESBITT.

VICTORIA PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

THE SECOND CONCERT OF THE SEASON will take place (by permission) at the New Court Room, James Bay, on Monday evening, 27th February, 1860. Concert to commence at 8 o'clock. Members, in addition to their own free admission, will be entitled to purchase for friends, three Tickets, at \$1 50 each, on application to
ROBT. TOMFRAY,
Acting Secretary.
fe23-2
Trounce Alley, Government street.

OWNER WANTED.

FOR A CASE W. M. & CO. received in Young's Warehouse, 6th August, 1859. It will be sold at auction, pay store, if not claimed within a reasonable time from the date hereof. Three cases long handled shovels, stored by Mr. Van Vleck, 4th October, 1858, will also be sold unless the storage be paid. Victoria, 31st January, 1860. fe31-1m

INFORMATION WANTED.

OF JACOB R. CROSEY, formerly of Richmond in his Family 4 additional Boarding, to receive his friends, will confer a favor on his relatives and friends by addressing
D. A. EDGAR,
fe9-1m
Victoria, V. I.

INFORMATION WANTED.

OF MR. C. S. ELLIS, formerly of Sacramento, but since of Victoria. Parties aware of his present whereabouts will confer a favor by applying to
G. B., care of LANGLEY BROS.,
fe2-1m
Druggists, Victoria.

EDUCATION.

MR. W. H. BURR, TEACHER of the Colonial School of Victoria, is now prepared to receive into his Family 4 additional Boarding. Pupils, to whom a sound English Education will be given. Terms—For Board and Washing, \$20 per month, payable half-yearly in advance. Boarders furnish their own Bed Clothes and Towels. fe4-1m

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH,

DIVINE SERVICE in the above place of worship, will be held only in the afternoon, for a few Sundays, instead of morning and evening, during the absence of the Rev. Matthew Macfie. Due notice will be given of return to the usual hours of public worship. Service to commence at 3 o'clock, when the Rev. Dr. Evans will kindly officiate. fe9-1f

Raising & Removing Buildings.

HAVING RETURNED FROM SAN FRANCISCO, with a full complement of Moving Apparatus, the undersigned is prepared to undertake the Removal of any description of Building, at reasonable prices. Safety and despatch guaranteed. JAMES E. WOLFE, fe11-1m
Contractor and Builder,
Yates street, above Government.

REPAIRING.—The old steamer *Beaver* (said to be the first steam vessel that ever paddled in the Pacific ocean) is being thoroughly repaired and fitted up with state-rooms. She is to be run between this place and New Westminster, in conjunction with the *Otter*, as soon as the spring trade opens. The repairs upon the *Julia* are nearly completed; she will run to different ports on the Sound. The refitting of the *Caledonian* is progressing slowly.

WITHOUT GLOVES.—The editor of the *Port Townsend Register* handles our Governor without gloves in regard to the mule-tax. He says that the imposition of the tax "is as clear a case of murdering the goose that laid the golden eggs as he can recollect."

POLICE COURT.—Dull times prevail in this institution. Only two poor fellows, who had taken too much whiskey in their water, were up for punishment this morning. They were fined five shillings or six hours in the cells.

ASHORE.—The schooner *Reporter* from this place was ran ashore at Hudson Point, near Port Townsend, during the gale on Monday. She was got off without damage the same night.

THE YALE PETITION.—We have received copies of the Yale petition, which Mr. Chas. Good referred to in his letter to the *Gazette*, some two weeks since. Our residents are invited to call and examine the documents.

PARDONED.—The Governor has pardoned Sandrie, who was convicted some time since for shooting a man who was crossing his yard, and sentenced to pay a fine of £10 and to be imprisoned one month.

"ELIZA ANDERSON."—This steamer arrived on Thursday evening from New Westminster, with about fifteen passengers. She brought no later news. About 12 o'clock yesterday she left for ports on the Sound.

RIVER RISING.—W. T. Ballou, Esq., reports Fraser River as rising, and unless something is done soon to remove the rapids at Emory's Bar, it will be too late.

NEW ASSAY OFFICE.—The proposed Assay Office at Westminster will be a substantial brick, with all the modern improvements.

A CRAZY MAN.—A crazy man, named Wm. Williams was found drowned at Teekalet, W. T., on Monday. He was about 25 years of age, and a native of Maine.

THE SCHOONER J. L. THORNDYKE went ashore at Port Townsend on Tuesday morning during the gale and was considerably damaged.

OWNER WANTED.—A Colt's five-shooter, silver-mounted, taken from Indians on Wednesday, is at the police-office awaiting an owner.

NEW FIRE HATS.—The fire hats for the Union Hook and Ladder Company, are expected on the Pacific, now fully due.

CITY TRADE REPORT.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY, 24, 1890.
The transactions to-day were limited, except in No. 1 China Sugar, of which article a considerable sale was effected, at 8c 3/4 lb. The Flour market continues firm; and barley is stiff at 3c, cash, as it is expected the Pacific will bring intelligence of a rise in San Francisco, the supply there being very tight.

ALCOHOL.—Prices remain about the same, 95c @ \$1 1/2 gallon—for cash.
BREAD.—Navy Bread 6c @ 6 1/2c; Pilot do 6 1/2 @ 7c; Soda Crackers 10c @ 11c. We notice a good supply at these rates.

COFFEE.—Rio is scarce, and continues firm @ 23 1/2; Java 23 @ 25c. The H. B. Co. received 6299 lbs Government Java, per Princess Royal, in bbls, which is held at 25c, for cash. Boree's ground, 22c @ 22 1/2c; Chartres' do 31 @ 32 1/2, in 1-lb papers.

BEANS.—Sale of 25 sacks Cal. pink and red @ 3 1/2c. Beans generally are of slow sale.

FLOUR.—Golden Gate is firm and steady sale at \$5.50 per bbl, in sacks; Eclipse, \$5.75.
SUGAR.—No. 1, China, steady, at 8c @ 8 1/2 lb; S Island, 7c @ 10c, according to quality; N O commands ready sale at 12 1/2c @ 13c.

SOAP.—Hills' \$2 per box of 20 lbs; Dyers' \$2 @ \$2.25 per do.

PORK.—In half-bbls, \$12.50; whole do, \$20—slow sale.

BLANKETS.—Auction sale by J A McCrea of 25 prs white, @ \$2.75; 60 prs blue, \$2.37 1/2 @ \$2.50; 100 prs scarlet, \$2.37 1/2 @ \$2.12 1/2. These blankets were all of English manufacture.

TEA.—Green, in 1-lb caddies, first quality, 40c; do in 2-lb caddies, 35 @ 37 1/2; a good quality of black, in 1/2-lb papers, and loose, we quote as worth 40c @ 45c. Sales of 10 chests at the latter figure.

LARD.—No sales of moment. J & H's is steady at 17 1/2c per lb, in 10-lb tins; Alden's at 16 1/2c, in do.

CANDLES.—Adamantine, 24c @ 25c, according to quality; French Sperm, in fancy boxes, at 37 1/2c.

POTATOES.—Sale of 6000 lbs, from the Sound, at 1 1/2c; Vancouver and Whidby Islands command 1 1/2c @ 1 3/4c.

ONIONS.—A few in the hands of retailers, which are selling at 16c.

BUTTER.—Cooking is worth 22c @ 25; ordinary table, 30c @ 32; 60 prs blue, \$2.37 1/2 @ 40c; choice Goshen, in tins, 45 @ 47 1/2c, full weights.

TOBACCO.—The sale of 30,000 lbs tobacco, noted in Wednesday's report as "common brands" should have read select brands. We are assured that no better article was ever imported into Victoria. Prices for general brands remain the same as at last report, with no sales.

LIQUORS.—Common American Whiskey, 75c; do do Brandy, 75c; best French do, \$5.50; American Gin, 65 @ 70c; Holland do \$1.25; Rum, \$2.25 @ \$2.50.

FIRE AT THE INDIAN RANCHERIA.—About 12 o'clock on Wednesday night, one of the large houses inhabited by the Songish Indians, to the right of the Esquimalt Road, was discovered to be on fire. The alarm was immediately given, the fire-bell rang, and the Hook and Ladder apparatus, under command of Assistant-Foreman Edgar, soon arrived on the ground,—but before the fire could be subdued the whole building was destroyed, together with a smaller one adjoining on the west. But little of the effects of the Indians were saved. The fire was caused by the explosion of a quantity of powder, contained in a flask, which was accidentally dropped among some smouldering embers. The fire presented a grand sight, and illumined the country for miles around. The whites present assisted their red friends materially. Too much praise cannot be accorded to the H. & L. Co. for their promptitude and efficient service.

THE MULE-TAX.—We learn from a gentleman largely interested in the Harrison Lilloouette Trail, and who waited upon His Excellency yesterday, that there is no hope of the infamous mule tax being revoked for the next six months. The Governor states as an excuse for levying the tax that he had received instructions from the Home Government to the effect that the Colony of British Columbia must be self-supporting—that no pecuniary assistance need be looked for from that quarter. If Gov. Douglas wishes to make British Columbia self supporting, he should discharge one half the drones that now infest the public offices, and put the rest on short allowance.

HEAVY BLOW.—The gale of Monday was severely felt all along Fraser river. The steamer *Henrietta*, on her way down, was blown completely around, and a canoe which was lashed to her deck was torn from its fastenings and hurled into the river. Trees which had withstood the blasts of ages were rooted up or broken off like pipe-stems.

WE YESTERDAY SAW A VERY FINE SPECIMEN OF FLAGSTONE, forwarded by the Salt Spring Stone Co. to Mr. Wilcox of the Royal Hotel. It is quite equal to either the best Arbronth or Yorkshire flag of the old country. We hope to see it in general use in paving our sidewalks, the extra cost of which over planking will be small considering the durability of the material.

SKADGET RIVER.—We learn from the P. T. Register that a party is being formed to examine the pass through the Cascade Mountains formed by the Sacamuck river—a fork of the Skadget—which is supposed to lead to the Similkameen diggings. It is also proposed to explore the head-waters of Skadget River.

THE PIONEER EXPRESS.—The regularity and system which exists in the management of W. T. Ballou, Esq., certainly deserves success. During the coldest weather, with the river frozen over, the expresses have been carried over the most remote portions of the route without unnecessary detention.

THE WAYS AT THE GRAND FALLS.—Have been completed at a heavy expense by Mr. Geo. Dietz, and boats are now taken over without trouble or danger. They are also fitted up with cars on wheels to carry the goods. The enterprise should be well patronized.

COLONIAL THEATRE.—This evening Mrs. Chapman takes a benefit, on which occasion the spectacle of the "French Spy" will be produced.

FREIGHT.—Freight on the *Otter* and *Anderson* next trip will be \$1 per ton to New Westminster.

NOT GONE UP.—The Sappers and Miners have not yet made a move from New Westminster to improve the upper trails.

THE LAST ROBBERY.—The robbers of Fellows' hardware store have not yet been ascertained.

THE PACIFIC.—This steamer, now fully due, had not arrived up to the hour of our going to press.

DRILL.—The Hook and Ladder Company will meet for drill at four o'clock, this P. M.

THE SHIP "GOMELZA" will be sold at auction at 12 o'clock to-day.

THE HEAVIEST FOREIGN CREDITOR OF THE UNITED STATES is Lord Overstone, to the amount of \$350,000.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF VICTORIA, V. I.
ARRIVED.
Feb 23—Str *Otter*, Monart, New Westminster.
Feb 24—Str *Eliza Anderson*, Bushnell, New Westminster.
Feb 25—Schr *Langley*, Dolholt, Nanaimo.
Feb 25—Schr *Wild Pigeon*, Sanderson, Port Townsend.
Feb 25—Schr *Kossuth*, Foster, Port Townsend.
Feb 24—Schr *Nanaimo Packet*, Hewitt, Nanaimo.
Feb 24—Schr *Elizabeth*, Melvin, Port Townsend.
Feb 24—Schr *Nanaimo*, Whitford, Port Townsend.
CLEARED.
Feb 24—Str *Eliza Anderson*, Bushnell, P. Townsend.
Feb 24—Schr *Nanaimo Packet*, Hewitt, Nanaimo.

AUCTION SALES.

AUCTION.

J. A. MCCREA,

AUCTIONEER,

will sell

On Thursday, March 1st, 1890,

AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.,

THE ENTIRE STOCK OF

Harness, Saddles, &c.,

Belonging to Mr. J. HERKIMER, at his Store on Yates street, consisting in part of

4 sets Double Harness;

3 sets Cart Harness;

1 double set Carriage Harness, Silver mounted;

2 sets Buggy Harness;

12 California Saddles;

1 best English Saddle;

Together with an assortment of fine Bridles, Halters, Whips, Spurs, Curry Combs, Twine, &c. &c.

— ALSO —

At commencement of Sale,

1-Horse Express Waggon and Harness,

Which can be seen previous to sale by application to Messrs. Morris & Co., Yates street.

The above sale is peremptory as the owner intends leaving the country.

J. A. MCCREA, Auctioneer.

SALE BY AUCTION

— OF THE —

BRITISH SHIP GOMELZA.

P. M. BACKUS WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION, on account of whom it may concern at his Salesroom, Yates street, Victoria, on Saturday, the 25th of February next, at 12 o'clock, noon, the

BRITISH SHIP GOMELZA,

521 TONS REGISTER,

with all her appurtenances, as she now lies moored in Sebeck Harbor, W. T.

Terms—Ten per cent, cash on the day of sale, and the balance on the Monday following, when the bill of sale will be ready.

The *Gomelza* has a full poop deck, and a top-gallant forecastle.

Inventory at the Auctioneer's office. j12-tds

AUCTION SALE.

ON THE 16TH OF MARCH, 1890, WILL BE sold at public auction, the Lot fronting Government Street, and known as "the Hudson Bay Company's Garden," if not previously disposed of.

Plans of subdivisions may be seen at

J. LOWENBERG'S Office,

j21-tf Government, bet. Yates and Johnson sts.

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED GIVE NOTICE TO ALL whom it may concern, that we will pay no light-erage and no wharfage on our goods from Esquimalt to Victoria, unless the same are delivered by the parties holding our orders.

Southgate & Mitchell, Cairn & Granchin,

Pickett & Co., A Martin & Bro.,

Kwong Lee & Co., J. D. Carroll,

Edgar & Aime, Reinhardt & Bro.,

Guthrie, David & Co., Eschland & Bro.,

Curtis & Moore, Peter McQuade & Co.,

Pease & Bovee, Sporborg & Co.,

J. Marks & Co., Reel & McDonald,

A. Sutor & Co., Harris Cohen,

per Jules David, M. Page, per J. M.

K. Gambitz, Langley Bros.,

Hans & Rosenfeld, Saml Price & Co.,

per S. S., per Jas N. Thain,

Victoria, February 2, 1890. fe4-lm*

NOTICE

TO CARPENTERS AND BUILDERS.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED UP TO Wednesday, 29th inst., for the erection of a Brick Building, on Yates street.

Plans and specifications will be seen at the office of the undersigned.

The lowest tender will be accepted if otherwise satisfactory.

JOHN WRIGHT, Architect, Yates street. fe21-td

NOTICE

TO CARPENTERS AND BUILDERS.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED UP TO Saturday, 25th inst., for the erection of a Suburban Villa, on the South side of James Bay.

Plans and specifications will be seen at the office of the undersigned.

The lowest tender will be accepted if otherwise satisfactory.

JOHN WRIGHT, Architect, Yates street. fe21-td

NOTICE!! NOTICE!!

TO MINERS, FAMILIES, RESTAURANTS AND Hotel Keepers. The undersigned having just commenced business, is now prepared to supply all who may call on him with the following groceries: German Sausages, Bologna Sausages, Liver Puddings, Blood Puddings and Head Cheese, to be had wholesale and retail, on Johnson street, two doors from Waddington, Victoria.

dec31-lm W. BRENNICKE & CO.

NOTICE.

SELLING OFF.

THE SUBSCRIBERS, BEING ABOUT TO MAKE an alteration in their business, will sell at cost until the 1st of February, the balance of their stock of Furniture, Looking Glasses, Bedding, &c. &c. We would respectfully beg those who are indebted to the firm to settle their accounts at once; and those to whom the firm are indebted will please send in their accounts for settlement.

dec24-tf C. J. FIDWELL & CO.

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED WOULD RESPECTFULLY inform the public of Victoria that he is now prepared to post Pacific, direct and following fares: Circulars, &c. &c. Orders left at the British Colonist office, Wharf street, or at the Gazette office, promptly attended to.

j31-lm* H. W. LAWS.

LESTER & GIBBS

HAVE JUST RECEIVED EX "W. B. SCRAN-TON," and recent arrivals:

50 boxes Candles;

100 bbls Self-Rising & Golden Gate Flour;

3000 lbs Bacon (choice);

25 firkins Hope Butter;

25 sacks Java Coffee;

25 sacks Rio Coffee;

10 chests superior Black Tea;

20 bbls Crushed Sugar;

Lobsters; Oysters;

Worcester Sauce; J & H Lard;

Pickles; Syrup, &c. &c.

In store and for sale at low rates by

Yates street, near Waddington.

N. B.—A choice lot of FRESH BUTTER for Family use.

dec31-lm

RECEIVED PER "ANNA KRELL," and other late arrivals, and for sale by the undersigned—

Scarlet and Blue Broad Cloth;

Black and Blue Saxony Cloth;

Green, Blue and Scarlet Baizes;

White and Gray Undershirts, of extra quality;

A large assortment of Woolen Overshirts;

Tartan Plaids, White and Colored Flannels;

Blankets of extra quality;

Cotton and Silk Handkerchiefs;

Cotton Hosiery and Braces;

Light Waterproof Coats;

Fancy Tweed Trowsers and Pilot Cloth Jackets.

fe23-lm

JOHNSON & GREEN,

Johnson street, opposite Wharf.

Agents for the Liverpool Board of Underwriters.

CHINA RICE, NO. 1,

JUST RECEIVED and for sale by

dec23-tf

JANION & GREEN

FOR SALE.

IN WHOLE OR IN PART, THE Splendid Property (Section No. 3), on Esquimalt Harbor, extending back to "the Arm," with upwards of 1/4 mile water frontage on each.

It consists of 65 acres, or thereabouts, a commodious Cottage, beautifully situated, with good supply of excellent water, and garden attached.

About 40 acres are good pasture, and might easily be brought under cultivation.

This property contains the best mercantile frontage on Esquimalt Harbor being more sheltered than Constance Cove, with 4 fathoms water close in shore, and in so protected a position that during the heaviest gale, vessels could lie alongside a wharf without damage.

The nature of the shore will admit of a Dry Dock and Patent Slip being easily constructed.

The Road from Victoria passes through the centre of the property. The projected Canal, uniting the two Harbors also adjoins it, and the proposed Naval Barracks and Depot are close to the boundary.

N. B.—A Town Lot 120x60 feet is excluded from the present sale, having already been disposed of.

Apply to **JOHN J. COCHRANE, C. E.,** Land Agent, Government st., near the Post Office, Victoria, V. I.

fe1-lm

FOR SALE BY G. VIGNOLO,

Johnson street, opposite Wharf,

25 CASES EXTRA CLEAR BACON. Patterson, Knapp & Co;

15 bbls Amos & Barber Bill's Hams;

60 ex. 60 lb. Extra Goshen Butter, in 12 1/2 lb tins;

25 " " " do do " 2 " "

15 " " " do do " 1 " "

75 Kgs fresh Goshen Butter;

25 bbls do do do

20 cases Kemp Lobsters, 1 lb tins;

20 cases Kempt & Co do 1 lb do

55 cases Sardines;

60 cases Italian Macaroni and Vermicelli;

250 bxs Yellow Soap;

150 bxs heavy pink Biscuits, in 12 1/2 lb tins;

250 bxs red and bayonettes Beans;

41 chests fine and extra Oolong Tea;

Also—Golden Gate Flour, Cornmeal, Pilot Bread, Sugar and Soda Crackers, Sperm and Adamantine Candles, French and American Preserved Meats, and general assortment of Groceries and Provisions.

Victoria, Feb. 4, 1890. fe1-3m

FOR SALE BY

DICKSON, CAMPBELL & CO.,

Corner Wharf and Johnson streets—

Brandy, 35 hlds. Martell, Martell's and Imperial;

do. 200 cases Imperial;

do. 100 cases Cognac;

Rum, 25 1/2-casks fine old Jamaica;

Whisky, 2 puns. Irish;

Sherry, 34 1/2-casks medium and superior;

Port, 28 1/2-casks superior;

do. 23 do. fair;

do. 10 cases, a choice article;

Champagne, 75 cases, qts and pts;

Claret, 100 cases;

Ale, 25 hlds. Bass No. 3, new brew;

do. Burton Brewery Co. and Morrice Cox & Co., in bottles.

Porter, Morrice Cox & Co., in bottles. e21-tf

FOR SALE BY

DICKSON, CAMPBELL & CO.,

Corner Wharf and Johnson streets—

Sugar, washed and bastard;

Rice, Carolina and Patna;

Soap, best English;

LANGLEY BROS.,
IMPORTERS AND DEALERS
IN
ENGLISH & FOREIGN
DRUGS,
CHEMICALS,
Dye Stuffs,
Perfumery & Toilet Articles,
Genuine Patent Medicines.

SEEDS:
GARDEN, FRUIT, FIELD & FLOWER,
of reliable qualities.

Paints, Brushes, Window Glass,
Putty and Varnishes.

OILS:
RAW AND BOILED LINSEED,
CHINA, SPERM, LARD, POLAR,
NEATSFOOT, COAL AND MACHINE.
Camphene, Burning Fluid and Alcohol.

LAMPS
For Coal Oil and Burning Fluid.
& C. & C. & C.

Orders executed at the lowest market rates, and promptly dispatched.

BANK
OF
British North America.
ESTABLISHED IN 1836.

Incorporated by Royal Charter in 1840.

CAPITAL--\$5,000,000.

VICTORIA BRANCH.

SPECIAL DEPOSITS received in sums of \$100 and upwards, repayable on demand. Charge for safe keeping, ONE-QUARTER OF ONE PER CENT. PER MONTH.

GOLD DUST received for safe keeping at the rate of FIVE CENTS PER OUNCE PER MONTH.

Drafts Issued on London,

60 days after sight, at the rate of \$4 95 per £1 stg.

3 days after sight, (IN SUMS OF £50 AND UPWARDS), ... \$5 per £1 stg.

3 days after sight, (IN SUMS UNDER £50), ... \$5 10 per £1 stg.

DRAFTS on demand or at short sight, issued on the principal Cities and Towns in Scotland and Ireland, at the rate of \$5 15 per £1 stg.

DRAFTS on the Principal Cities in the North American Provinces, @ 3 days sight, as follows:

Canada, ... 4 per ct. premium.

New Brunswick, ... 4 per ct. do

Nova Scotia, ... 2½ per ct. do

Drafts on New York, @ 3 days sight, 3 per ct. prem.

" Messrs. B. Davidson & May, San Francisco, at sight--Par.

OFFICE HOURS, 10 TO 3--SATURDAYS 10 TO 1.

F. W. WOOD,
Manager.

Victoria, Feb. 24, 1860.

W. W. BAKER & CO.,

W. W. BAKER, J. M. BULL,

PORTLAND, OREGON.

DEALERS IN OREGON PRODUCE

Of every kind

Flour, Bacon, Butter, Eggs and Poultry, and Fruit of all kinds.

Orders sent to us will be attended to with correctness and promptness.

We also invite persons on the way to Victoria to call at our store, corner of First and Morrison sts.

Refers to C. C. Pendergast, Agent of Wells, Fargo & Co., Victoria.

COAL.

JUST RECEIVED AND FOR SALE

AT--

ROUSSET'S WHARF,

100 TONS BEST QUALITY

NANAIMO COALS,

Delivered in quantities to suit, at any part of Town, at a low rate.

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JOB PRINTING.

THE BRITISH COLONIST

Job Printing Establishment

WHARF STREET,

Victoria, V. I.

Having recently received a large and splendid variety of

PLAIN AND FANCY

JOB TYPE!

Is now prepared to execute

BOOK, JOB,

—OR—

Fancy Printing!

In every variety of taste and style desired.

Auction Bills,

Show Bills,

Bill-Heads,

Circulars,

Way-Bills,

Legal Blanks.

Cards,

Programmes,

Pamphlets,

Catalogues,

Blank Notes,

Books, &c., &c

Will be executed promptly, in a superior manner, and at reasonable prices.

Orders, by mail or otherwise, will receive immediate attention.

Terms Cash!

On delivery of work.

NEW STORE.

THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVING TAKEN THE Store lately occupied by N. TREWEEK & Co.,

—ON—

YATES STREET,

OFFERS FOR SALE

A Large Assortment

—OF—

CLOTHING,

Dry Goods,

Boots, Shoes,

Blankets,

PERFUMERY,

YANKEE NOTIONS,

Cutlery, &c.

—ALSO—

A General Assortment

—OF—

OTHER GOODS, SUITABLE

—FOR THE—

INDIAN TRADE.

All of which will be sold at the

LOWEST RATES FOR CASH.

Having

been long engaged

in this line of business, they

have made such selections as will

SUIT THIS MARKET,

and solicit their old customers, as

well as new ones, to give

them a call before

purchasing

elsewhere.

KOSHLAND & BRO.

Victoria, Jan. 12th, 1860. j14-1m

BONDED WAREHOUSES.

HENRY HOLBROOK,

COMMISSION AGENT,

Liverpool Wharf, Columbia St.,

NEW WESTMINSTER, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

BONDED STORAGE, ALWAYS READY for

500 to 1000 tons Merchandise, consignments re-

ceived, duties paid, and all orders for the mines for

Flour, Bacon, Beans and other goods immediately

attended to.

Great advantages accrue to parties importing di-

rect to New Westminster, who would meet with im-

mediate sale for cargoes of staple goods.

For sale 5000 pounds English Cut Tobacco from

Beynan and Stocken, London, chosen by the Crimean

army and bought from them at Balacava, when the

troops were leaving. Apply to Henderson and Bur-

naby, Victoria. dec6-1f

WOOD! WOOD!!

200 CORDS

BEST QUALITY PINE WOOD, FOR

sale in quantities of One Cord and upwards, at

\$3 50 Per Cord!

VICTORIA COAL CO.,

Wharf street.

A. GILMORE,

MERCHANT TAILOR,

WISHES TO INFORM HIS FRIENDS

and the public that he has removed on Yates

street, third door below Government st., Victoria.

V. I. has on hand and is constantly receiving a large

assortment of Cloth, Cassimeres and Vesting, which

he is prepared to make to order in the most approved

style.

Also--A large assortment of Custom Made Clothing

and Gents' Furnishing Goods, which he will sell

cheaper than any other establishment in Victoria.

N. B.--Repairing promptly executed. j11-1m&w

BLACKSMITH SHOP.

Ship and Steamboat Smith,

REAR OF ASSAY OFFICE, YATES STREET, VICTORIA.

E. COKER, ... Proprietor.

Having had long experience both in New York

and San Francisco, he is confident he can give entire

satisfaction in the execution of all work entrusted to

his care. Second hand anchors and chains bought

and sold. j5-3m

G. G. CAPRON, BLACKSMITH,

Yates street, above Government,

IS NOW PREPARED TO DO ALL KINDS OF

Smithery at the lowest rates, such as Ship, Ma-

chine, Waggon and other work. Also, to shoe mules

and horses at \$3. Also Oxen, and to furnish Shoes

(mule and horse) and other work to parties up the

country in any quantity, at the shortest notice and

at the very lowest rates. Call and try.

Victoria, V. I., Dec. 27th, 1859. dec29-

NEW ENGLAND FANCY BAKERY

—AND—

COFFEE SALOON.

HAVING JUST OPENED THE ABOVE SA-

loon, we are prepared to furnish the public

with everything in our line at the most reasonable

rates.

All orders left at the above establishment will be

promptly attended to.

GEORGE STEITZ & CO.,

Gov't street, bet. Yates & Johnson.

j28-1m

JNO. H. BOSWORTH,

WHOLESALE DEALER IN

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, & C.,

No. 69 Front street,

SAN FRANCISCO.

Refers to HUSTON & Co., through whom orders

can be sent. j19-5m

P. M. BACKUS,

AUCTIONEER,

El Dorado Salesroom, Yates street,

Will attend to Sales of Merchandise, Vessels and

Real Estate.

Sale days--TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATUR-

DAY. o30-1f

[T] Real Estate for sale at private sale.

SELM FRANKLIN & CO.,

AUCTIONEERS AND LAND AGENTS,

Yates street, Victoria.

Town Lots in Victoria and Esquimalt, and

Farming Lands, Merchandise, &c., disposed of by

private or public sale. Deeds, Mortgages, &c.,

prepared by W. THORNTON, Conveyancer. o18-1f

PROVISIONS AND GROCERIES,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

T. Phelan,

At the corner of Yates and Government sts.

RESPECTFULLY CALLS the attention of the citizens of Victoria and its vicinity to THE CHOICE SELECTION

—OF—
Groceries,
Provisions,
Crockery, and
Glass-Ware,

Which he now offers to the Public at the MOST REASONABLE PRICES. FOR CASH.

English Biscuit, in 10 lb tins; English Sauces, Jams and Jellies; Mustard; Vinegar; Pickles, Pie Fruit; and Potted Beef and Ham, put up by Healy & Co. London. Black and Green Teas; Crushed Sugar, in 1 lb bbls; Carolina and China Rice; Boston Syrup; Sand-which Island Molasses; Golden Gate Mill Flour; Extra Clear Pork, in 1 lb bbls; No 1 China Sugar; Sandwich Is-land Sugar, in 1 lb bbls; Extra clear Bacon; Rio and Java coffee, whole and ground; Adamantine Candles; Lamp Oil; Natural Leaf and Peach brand Tobacco; Fresh Corn Meal; Buckwheat Flour; 50-lb sacks Chili Beans.

Constantly receiving by every Steam-er from California and Oregon sam- ples of FRESH BUTTER AND CHEESE.

LANGLEY HOTEL.
W. WINNARD.....PROPRIETOR.
FORT LANGLEY, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The Proprietor of the Langley Hotel, having re-built and enlarged his establishment, and furnished it so as to afford

FIRST CLASS ACCOMMODATION

to the travelling public, respectfully solicits a continu-

ance of the liberal patronage hitherto bestowed on him. His table is always supplied with everything the

market affords, and served in the best style.

Single Rooms can always be had. The sleeping

apartments are furnished with good beds.

The best Liquors will always be found at the Bar.

Travellers passing up or down the river, may always

depend on finding the best accommodation at the

Langley Hotel.

Storage for Merchandise on reasonable terms.

Fort Langley, B. C., Oct. 20, 1859. 1f oc21

M. MAYER & CO.,

Scott's Wharf,

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.,

REG TO INFORM TRADERS AND MINERS

and the public in general, that they now have

on hand

A Large Stock

—OF—

Assorted Merchandise,

SUITABLE FOR

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

They will hereafter receive most of their

GOODS DIRECT

from

San Francisco,

and be enabled to

SELL AT

VICTORIA PRICES.

RECEIVED EX BRIG PERSEVERE,

LATE

From San Francisco, Direct,

200 bbls Golden Age Flour;

100 do Golden Gate do

55 do Eureka Mills do

50 do Eclipse do

25 do Self-Rising do

200 sacks Barley;

350 sacks Beans;

200 mats China No 1 Rice;

200 mats China No 1 Sugar.

—ALSO—

--FOR SALE--

Pork,

Bacon, Hams,

Lard, Candles,

Soap, Butter,

Cheese, Coffee,

Teas,

N. O. and S. I. Sugars,

Powdered and Crushed Sugars,

Boston Syrup, Assorted Syrups,

Hunt's and Collins' Axes,

Wrought and Cut Nails,

Powder, Shot and Percussion Caps,

Pitch and Tar,

All sizes of Rops and Boat's Oars,

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

CLOTHING,

Hats, Caps,

Boots, Shoes,

Tobacco, Cigars,

Stationery, Perfumery,

Duck, Drilling,

Dry, Fancy, & Millinery

GOODS,

A LARGE VARIETY OF

Ribbons, Bonnet and Dress

TRIMMINGS,

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS,

POCKET CUTLERY, &c. &c. j12-1m

ROOMS AND OFFICES

TO LET,

Over N. Moore & Co.'s

Dry Goods Store,

YATES STREET. dec13 1m

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